

and allows these kids to enjoy a beautiful setting with others just like them.

This very week 85 children are in the mountains of Idaho at Camp Rainbow Gold. With an army of volunteers, Dr. McClusky is watching his dream flourish. The kids still attend free of charge. A full medical staff and a licensed social worker volunteer their time to provide medical and emotional support to the children.

As the camp grew, so did the vision to meet not only the needs of the kids with cancer, but their siblings and parents as well. Dr. McClusky's original vision has grown into two more camps: one for siblings and one for families. These camps provide a much-needed break from the demands of the intensive care required for a child with cancer.

Throughout the year, special outings are held to strengthen the bonds of friendships developed at camp and to continue the emotional support among families. In addition, a junior counselor program has been created to allow former campers who have turned 18 to continue their participation at Camp Rainbow Gold. They now offer their support and encouragement to kids who are in the same fight they, too, have fought. Campers and junior counselors are also eligible for college scholarships to help them fulfill their dreams.

It is, indeed, an honor for me to give recognition to Dr. David McClusky for his vision and many years of work in creating and sustaining Camp Rainbow Gold. I extend this recognition to the more than 200 volunteers from around Idaho who support the Camp Rainbow Gold programs; to the American Cancer Society for their backing and administrative support; and to the thousands of Idahoans and many others who provide the funds to make all of this a reality.

Congratulations, Camp Rainbow Gold, on this 25th anniversary.

CONGRESSMAN JOHN McHUGH

Mrs. GILLIBRAND. Mr. President, I've been proud to serve alongside Congressman JOHN McHUGH as a fellow Representative from New York and as a colleague on the Armed Services Committee.

Congressman McHUGH's long experience as a member of the Armed Services Committee has made him uniquely qualified to serve in the post we have just confirmed him to. As a member of that panel, he always fought to provide for the well-being and safety of our troops and to ensure their fundamental mission of keeping America safe.

He also held the distinct honor, which I now share, of representing Fort Drum—one of our Nation's proudest, bravest Army posts. These men and women deserve the very best from their representatives, and Congressman McHUGH did not fail them. I am confident he will bring that same leader-

ship and determination to benefit all Army families across the country.

As we work to chart a new direction in Iraq and Afghanistan, I am proud to support Congressman McHUGH's nomination for the Army's top civilian post. I congratulate Congressman McHUGH and his family, and I look forward to continue working with him to keep America and New York families safe.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

CAMP AGAWAM'S 90TH ANNIVERSARY

• Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Camp Agawam boys' summer camp in Raymond, ME, which is celebrating its 90th year on August 14, 2009. Agawam has an exceptional history as one of the Nation's oldest summer camps.

Founded in 1919, Agawam was owned and operated continuously by the Mason family until 1985. Throughout its history, Camp Agawam has provided a unique and exciting summer camp program for boys from Maine and from across the country. The talented staff and counselors at Agawam continue to carry on the Mason family's vision of providing a safe, positive environment for boys to make lifelong friends and foster skills through outdoor recreation and activities.

Agawam has made significant contributions to youth in Maine's local communities. Strongly supported by camp alumni and parents, the camp's Maine Idea program highlights the impressive commitment by Agawam to provide free campership opportunities to Maine boys. This is truly a meaningful investment in Maine's most precious resource—our children.

I congratulate and commend Agawam's talented staff, counselors, council members, camp alumni, parents, and campers on a remarkable 90 years.●

98TH BIRTHDAY OF KAPPA ALPHA PSI

• Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, this year we are celebrating the 98th birthday of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated. This week, thousands of members and guests from all over the world have come to Washington, DC, to participate in a week-long program of forums and seminars with a focus on leadership, brotherhood and service, known as the 79th Grand Chapter Meeting. The theme of this week's celebration is "A Call to Service: The Journey Home Continues."

The week's events commenced with a public meeting where members from the nine African-American Greek fraternities and sororities will gather in the spirit of unity. In addition, during this gathering, I was honored that Kappa Alpha Psi bestowed upon me their prestigious Humanitarian Award. This particular award is the highest honor awarded to an individual that is

not a member of the organization. I am excited to be joining the ranks of previous honorees including: Congresswoman MAXINE WATERS; Mrs. Lyndon Baines "Lady Bird" Johnson; Mr. Harry Belafonte; Mrs. Rosa Parks; and Drs. Bill and Camille Cosby, just to name a few.

I also would like to take this opportunity to commend Attorney Dwayne Murray. Dwayne currently serves as the 31st Grand Polemarch of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated, and is a resident of the great State of Louisiana. Under Dwayne's extraordinary leadership, the organization has initiated several community service projects, including "Sunday of Hope." Through this effort, Kappa Alpha Psi has raised well over \$500,000 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital during the past 2 years. In addition, Dwayne has also spearheaded the "Greeks Learning to Avoid Debt"—GLAD—Program throughout the Nation. This program will ensure that college students receive the necessary training to use credit wisely and remain financially stable through college and beyond. His administration is committed to the theme of "One Kappa, Creating Inspiration: A Call to Service".

Kappa Alpha Psi was founded on January 5, 1911, on the campus of Indiana University in Bloomington, IN. Led by the vision of Elder Watson Diggs, it was founded by 10 God-fearing, serious-minded young men who possessed the imagination, ambition, courage, and determination to defy custom in pursuit of college educations and careers during an oppressive time in American history for African Americans.

Now, the membership has grown to more than 360 undergraduate chapters and 347 alumni chapters located throughout the United States and five foreign countries. Today, the fraternity boasts a membership of more than 150,000 college-trained young men. Among the famous Kappas are Wilt Chamberlain, Adrian Fenty, Cedric "The Entertainer" Kyles, and Tavis Smiley; and Members of the House of Representatives include SANFORD BISHOP of Georgia, WILLIAM CLAY of Missouri, JOHN CONYERS of Michigan, ALCEE HASTINGS of Florida and BENNIE THOMPSON of Mississippi. Additionally, there are many more prominent and influential men across America that represent the Kappa Alpha Psi brotherhood. Furthermore, both current and former members of my staff are proud to be members of this noble and prestigious fraternity: my former legislative director Ben Cannon, former regional manager Terrence Lockett, and my current capital regional manager Jason Wynne Hughes.

Kappa Alpha Psi has been an instrumental group in raising the profile of African-American men and has worked tirelessly to knock down barriers to advancement in our society. The brotherhood has consistently encouraged achievement in every field of human endeavor.